

Table 2. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, overall United States, 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [†]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,500 (Average=\$22,100)								
0-2	\$5,820	\$2,220	\$830	\$730	\$370	\$400	\$690	\$580
3-5	5,920	2,190	920	700	360	380	780	590
6-8	6,070	2,120	1,190	820	410	440	460	630
9-11	6,090	1,910	1,420	890	450	480	280	660
12-14	6,880	2,130	1,490	1,000	760	480	200	820
15-17	6,790	1,720	1,610	1,350	670	510	330	600
Total	\$112,710	\$36,870	\$22,380	\$16,470	\$9,060	\$8,070	\$8,220	\$11,640
Before-tax income: \$35,500 to \$59,700 (Average=\$47,200)								
0-2	\$8,060	\$3,000	\$990	\$1,090	\$440	\$520	\$1,130	\$890
3-5	8,270	2,970	1,140	1,060	430	500	1,260	910
6-8	8,350	2,900	1,460	1,180	480	570	810	950
9-11	8,320	2,700	1,710	1,250	530	620	530	980
12-14	9,050	2,920	1,730	1,360	890	620	390	1,140
15-17	9,170	2,500	1,920	1,720	790	660	660	920
Total	\$153,660	\$50,970	\$26,850	\$22,980	\$10,680	\$10,470	\$14,340	\$17,370
Before-tax income: More than \$59,700 (Average=\$89,300)								
0-2	\$11,990	\$4,770	\$1,310	\$1,520	\$580	\$600	\$1,710	\$1,500
3-5	12,230	4,740	1,480	1,490	570	580	1,860	1,510
6-8	12,180	4,670	1,790	1,610	620	660	1,280	1,550
9-11	12,090	4,470	2,080	1,680	680	710	890	1,580
12-14	12,930	4,690	2,180	1,790	1,120	710	690	1,750
15-17	13,260	4,270	2,300	2,180	1,020	750	1,210	1,530
Total	\$224,040	\$82,830	\$33,420	\$30,810	\$13,770	\$12,030	\$22,920	\$28,260

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

†Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 3. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, urban West,[†] 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [‡]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,200 (Average=\$22,000)								
0-2	\$6,420	\$2,650	\$900	\$790	\$360	\$340	\$700	\$680
3-5	6,560	2,630	1,000	770	350	320	790	700
6-8	6,730	2,600	1,290	880	390	370	470	730
9-11	6,820	2,450	1,540	950	430	400	280	770
12-14	7,570	2,630	1,610	1,070	720	410	200	930
15-17	7,520	2,260	1,740	1,410	640	430	330	710
Total	\$124,860	\$45,660	\$24,240	\$17,610	\$8,670	\$6,810	\$8,310	\$13,560
Before-tax income: \$35,200 to \$59,300 (Average=\$46,900)								
0-2	\$8,670	\$3,410	\$1,060	\$1,160	\$420	\$460	\$1,160	\$1,000
3-5	8,900	3,390	1,220	1,140	410	440	1,280	1,020
6-8	8,990	3,350	1,560	1,250	460	500	820	1,050
9-11	9,030	3,210	1,840	1,310	510	540	530	1,090
12-14	9,720	3,390	1,840	1,440	850	550	400	1,250
15-17	9,900	3,020	2,050	1,790	750	580	680	1,030
Total	\$165,630	\$59,310	\$28,710	\$24,270	\$10,200	\$9,210	\$14,610	\$19,320
Before-tax income: More than \$59,300 (Average=\$88,700)								
0-2	\$12,450	\$5,040	\$1,370	\$1,600	\$550	\$540	\$1,760	\$1,590
3-5	12,740	5,030	1,550	1,580	540	520	1,910	1,610
6-8	12,680	4,990	1,870	1,680	590	590	1,320	1,640
9-11	12,630	4,840	2,180	1,750	640	630	910	1,680
12-14	13,430	5,020	2,280	1,870	1,070	640	710	1,840
15-17	13,800	4,650	2,400	2,250	960	670	1,240	1,630
Total	\$233,190	\$88,710	\$34,950	\$32,190	\$13,050	\$10,770	\$23,550	\$29,970

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The regional Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

[†]The Western region consists of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

[‡]Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 4. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, urban Northeast,[†] 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [‡]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,300 (Average=\$22,000)								
0-2	\$6,100	\$2,650	\$930	\$610	\$400	\$390	\$560	\$560
3-5	6,210	2,640	1,020	580	390	370	630	580
6-8	6,420	2,600	1,310	690	430	420	360	610
9-11	6,570	2,450	1,570	760	480	450	210	650
12-14	7,390	2,630	1,640	880	820	460	150	810
15-17	7,300	2,260	1,760	1,220	720	490	250	600
Total	\$119,970	\$45,690	\$24,690	\$14,220	\$9,720	\$7,740	\$6,480	\$11,430
Before-tax income: \$35,300 to \$59,300 (Average=\$46,900)								
0-2	\$8,280	\$3,410	\$1,080	\$980	\$470	\$510	\$950	\$880
3-5	8,500	3,390	1,240	960	460	490	1,060	900
6-8	8,660	3,360	1,580	1,060	510	560	660	930
9-11	8,740	3,210	1,850	1,130	560	600	420	970
12-14	9,520	3,390	1,860	1,260	950	610	310	1,140
15-17	9,620	3,020	2,060	1,610	850	640	520	920
Total	\$159,960	\$59,340	\$29,010	\$21,000	\$11,400	\$10,230	\$11,760	\$17,220
Before-tax income: More than \$59,300 (Average=\$88,800)								
0-2	\$12,010	\$5,050	\$1,380	\$1,420	\$610	\$600	\$1,480	\$1,470
3-5	12,260	5,030	1,560	1,400	590	570	1,620	1,490
6-8	12,300	4,990	1,880	1,510	650	650	1,090	1,530
9-11	12,320	4,840	2,190	1,580	710	700	740	1,560
12-14	13,190	5,020	2,280	1,700	1,180	710	570	1,730
15-17	13,430	4,650	2,410	2,070	1,070	740	980	1,510
Total	\$226,530	\$88,740	\$35,100	\$29,040	\$14,430	\$11,910	\$19,440	\$27,870

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The regional Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

†The Northeast region consists of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

‡Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 5. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, urban South,[†] 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [‡]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,600 (Average=\$22,200)								
0-2	\$5,890	\$2,190	\$800	\$720	\$400	\$450	\$780	\$550
3-5	6,030	2,170	900	700	390	430	870	570
6-8	6,140	2,130	1,160	800	430	490	530	600
9-11	6,220	1,980	1,410	870	480	520	320	640
12-14	7,020	2,170	1,470	1,000	800	540	230	810
15-17	6,970	1,790	1,600	1,330	710	560	390	590
Total	\$114,810	\$37,290	\$22,020	\$16,260	\$9,630	\$8,970	\$9,360	\$11,280
Before-tax income: \$35,600 to \$60,000 (Average=\$47,400)								
0-2	\$8,220	\$2,960	\$970	\$1,090	\$470	\$590	\$1,270	\$870
3-5	8,440	2,940	1,120	1,070	460	560	1,400	890
6-8	8,500	2,910	1,430	1,170	510	640	910	930
9-11	8,500	2,760	1,700	1,240	560	680	600	960
12-14	9,210	2,940	1,710	1,360	930	690	450	1,130
15-17	9,420	2,560	1,910	1,720	830	720	770	910
Total	\$156,870	\$51,210	\$26,520	\$22,950	\$11,280	\$11,640	\$16,200	\$17,070
Before-tax income: More than \$60,000 (Average=\$89,700)								
0-2	\$12,080	\$4,630	\$1,270	\$1,530	\$610	\$680	\$1,890	\$1,470
3-5	12,360	4,610	1,450	1,510	600	650	2,050	1,490
6-8	12,280	4,580	1,750	1,610	650	740	1,430	1,520
9-11	12,200	4,420	2,040	1,680	710	780	1,010	1,560
12-14	13,020	4,610	2,140	1,800	1,160	800	790	1,720
15-17	13,440	4,230	2,260	2,170	1,060	820	1,390	1,510
Total	\$226,140	\$81,240	\$32,730	\$30,900	\$14,370	\$13,410	\$25,680	\$27,810

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The regional Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

†The Southern region consists of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

‡Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 6. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, urban Midwest,[†] 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [‡]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,700 (Average=\$22,300)								
0-2	\$5,270	\$1,970	\$760	\$640	\$350	\$360	\$670	\$520
3-5	5,400	1,960	850	620	340	340	750	540
6-8	5,540	1,920	1,100	720	380	390	450	580
9-11	5,640	1,770	1,340	790	430	430	270	610
12-14	6,400	1,950	1,400	920	720	440	190	780
15-17	6,330	1,570	1,530	1,260	630	460	320	560
Total	\$103,740	\$33,420	\$20,940	\$14,850	\$8,550	\$7,260	\$7,950	\$10,770
Before-tax income: \$35,700 to \$60,100 (Average=\$47,500)								
0-2	\$7,540	\$2,740	\$920	\$1,010	\$420	\$490	\$1,110	\$850
3-5	7,760	2,730	1,070	990	410	460	1,230	870
6-8	7,830	2,690	1,370	1,100	450	530	790	900
9-11	7,870	2,540	1,640	1,170	500	570	510	940
12-14	8,560	2,720	1,640	1,290	850	580	380	1,100
15-17	8,720	2,340	1,840	1,650	750	600	650	890
Total	\$144,840	\$47,280	\$25,440	\$21,630	\$10,140	\$9,690	\$14,010	\$16,650
Before-tax income: More than \$60,100 (Average=\$89,900)								
0-2	\$11,350	\$4,410	\$1,230	\$1,460	\$550	\$570	\$1,690	\$1,440
3-5	11,620	4,390	1,400	1,440	540	550	1,840	1,460
6-8	11,550	4,350	1,690	1,540	590	620	1,260	1,500
9-11	11,500	4,200	1,980	1,610	640	660	870	1,540
12-14	12,330	4,390	2,070	1,740	1,070	680	680	1,700
15-17	12,650	4,010	2,190	2,110	970	700	1,190	1,480
Total	\$213,000	\$77,250	\$31,680	\$29,700	\$13,080	\$11,340	\$22,590	\$27,360

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The regional Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

†The Midwest region consists of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

‡Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 7. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by husband-wife families, Rural areas,[†] 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [‡]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,900 (Average=\$22,400)								
0-2	\$5,310	\$1,660	\$770	\$830	\$360	\$440	\$700	\$550
3-5	5,460	1,650	870	810	350	420	790	570
6-8	5,600	1,610	1,130	920	390	480	470	600
9-11	5,690	1,450	1,370	990	440	520	280	640
12-14	6,460	1,640	1,430	1,110	750	530	200	800
15-17	6,410	1,260	1,560	1,460	660	550	330	590
Total	\$104,790	\$27,810	\$21,390	\$18,360	\$8,850	\$8,820	\$8,310	\$11,250
Before-tax income: \$35,900 to \$60,400 (Average=\$47,800)								
0-2	\$7,640	\$2,450	\$940	\$1,210	\$430	\$580	\$1,160	\$870
3-5	7,850	2,430	1,090	1,180	420	550	1,290	890
6-8	7,900	2,390	1,390	1,290	460	630	820	920
9-11	7,950	2,240	1,660	1,360	520	670	540	960
12-14	8,630	2,420	1,660	1,480	870	680	400	1,120
15-17	8,820	2,040	1,860	1,840	780	710	680	910
Total	\$146,370	\$41,910	\$25,800	\$25,080	\$10,440	\$11,460	\$14,670	\$17,010
Before-tax income: More than \$60,400 (Average=\$90,500)								
0-2	\$11,470	\$4,130	\$1,240	\$1,650	\$560	\$670	\$1,760	\$1,460
3-5	11,750	4,120	1,410	1,630	550	640	1,920	1,480
6-8	11,680	4,080	1,710	1,730	600	730	1,320	1,510
9-11	11,630	3,930	2,000	1,800	660	770	920	1,550
12-14	12,450	4,110	2,100	1,930	1,100	790	710	1,710
15-17	12,800	3,730	2,220	2,310	990	810	1,240	1,500
Total	\$215,340	\$72,300	\$32,040	\$33,150	\$13,380	\$13,230	\$23,610	\$27,630

Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The population size Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a two-child family. Estimates are about the same for the older child. Therefore, to calculate expenses for two children, figures should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.24. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.77. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

[†]Rural areas are places of fewer than 2,500 people outside a Metropolitan Statistical Area.

[‡]Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.

Table 8. Estimated annual expenditures* on a child by single-parent families, overall United States, 1997

Age of child	Total	Housing	Food	Transportation	Clothing	Health care	Child care and education	Miscellaneous [†]
Before-tax income: Less than \$35,500 (Average=\$14,800)								
0-2	\$4,900	\$1,990	\$920	\$680	\$340	\$190	\$430	\$350
3-5	5,510	2,260	960	600	360	280	590	460
6-8	6,230	2,410	1,220	690	420	330	540	620
9-11	5,820	2,310	1,410	500	430	420	260	490
12-14	6,270	2,310	1,410	580	720	450	320	480
15-17	6,970	2,450	1,540	900	840	440	250	550
Total	\$107,100	\$41,190	\$22,380	\$11,850	\$9,330	\$6,330	\$7,170	\$8,850
Before-tax income: \$35,500 or more (Average=\$53,900)								
0-2	\$11,210	\$4,290	\$1,410	\$2,080	\$480	\$440	\$1,060	\$1,450
3-5	12,030	4,560	1,500	2,000	500	590	1,330	1,550
6-8	12,800	4,700	1,800	2,090	580	680	1,240	1,710
9-11	12,380	4,610	2,160	1,900	580	810	730	1,590
12-14	13,120	4,610	2,120	1,970	960	860	1,030	1,570
15-17	13,580	4,750	2,240	2,140	1,110	850	840	1,650
Total	\$225,360	\$82,560	\$33,690	\$36,540	\$12,630	\$12,690	\$18,690	\$28,560

*Estimates are based on 1990-92 Consumer Expenditure Survey data. The Consumer Price Index is used to update income and expenditures to 1997 dollars. The figures represent estimated expenses on the younger child in a single-parent, two-child family. For estimated expenses on the older child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 0.93. To estimate expenses for two children, the expenses on the younger child and older child—after adjusting the expense on the older child downward—should be summed for the appropriate age categories. To estimate expenses for an only child, multiply the total expense for the appropriate age category by 1.35. To estimate expenses for each child in a family with three or more children, multiply the total expense for each appropriate age category by 0.72—after adjusting the expenses on the older children downward. For expenses on all children in a family, these totals should be summed.

†Miscellaneous expenses consists of personal care items, entertainment, and reading materials.